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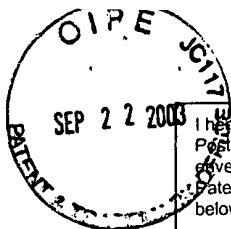
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COMPRISING AMINOXY GROUPS

STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW

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Dear Sir:

This Communication is submitted in response to the Interview Summary (Paper No. 23) dated August 21, 2003. Accordingly, this Statement is timely filed. Applicants sincerely thank the Examiner for the Notice of Allowance in the present application.

Applicants hereby submit a Statement of Substance of Interview as requested in Paper No. 23. The Substance of the Interview, including a description of the general nature of what was agreed to, is provided.

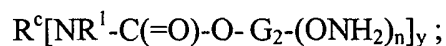
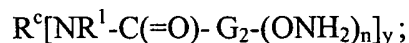
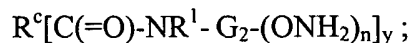
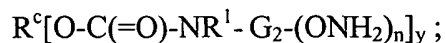
SUMMARY OF AMENDMENTS

During the telephonic interview on August 14, 2003 between Examiner David Lukton and Applicants' representatives Charles D. Holland, Catherine M. Polizzi and Shannon Thomas, Applicants' representatives agreed to the Examiner's amendments listed below:

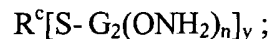
1. Cancel claims 1-15, 40-43 and 48-53 (leaving pending claims 16-39, 44-47 and 54-130 after cancellation).
2. In claim 16, third line from the last, **delete** "and,"
3. In claim 16, in the last line, **delete** "atoms.", and **substitute therefore** the following:
"atoms; and wherein the valency platform molecule comprises at least four terminal aminoxy groups."

Accordingly, claim 16, as allowed, is recited below:

Claim 16 (as allowed): A valency platform molecule having a formula selected from the group consisting of:



and,



wherein:

y is 1 to 16;

n is 1 to 32;

R¹ is H, alkyl, heteroalkyl, aryl, heteroaryl or G₂-(ONH₂)_n;

R^c and each G₂ are independently organic moieties comprising atoms selected from the group consisting of H, C, N, O, P, Si and S atoms; and

wherein the valency platform molecule comprises at least four terminal aminooxy groups.

SUMMARY OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW

Pending and withdrawn claims were discussed during the Examiner Interview.

Specifically, amendments to claim 16 were discussed and the Examiner's amendments as stated above were proposed and agreed to by Examiner Lukton and Applicants' representatives. The Examiner also suggested cancellation of claims that had been withdrawn from consideration.


Applicants agreed to cancel claims 1-15, 40-43 and 48-53. U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/328,199 was also discussed with the Examiner.

With respect to all amendments and cancelled claims, Applicants have not dedicated or abandoned any unclaimed subject matter and moreover have not acquiesced to any rejections and/or objections made by the Patent Office. Applicants reserve the right to pursue prosecution of any presently excluded claim embodiments in future continuation and/or divisional applications.

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